



Crop Progress and Condition

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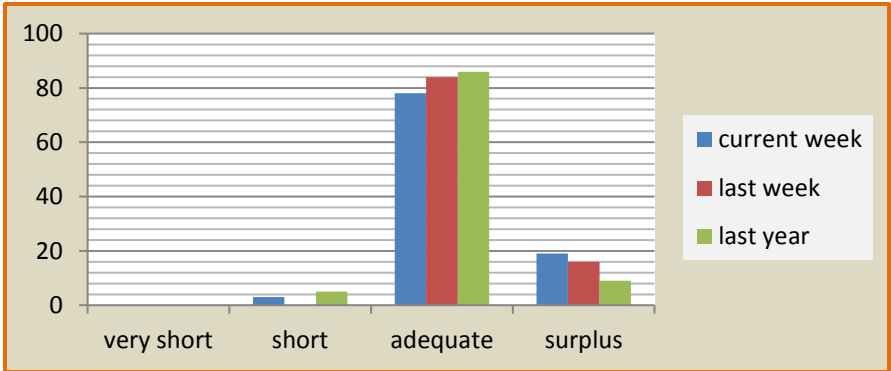
Agricultural News: Days suitable for fieldwork were 3.8. Weather conditions continue to be hot and wet; however, precipitation amounts were down from the previous week. The high temperatures are stressing pastures and some farmers are waiting for the hay to dry before baling it. Farming activities this week included making hay, planting corn and soybeans.

SOIL MOISTURE and SUPPLIES for week ending 05/27/18

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	%	%	%	%
Topsoil	-	3	78	19
Subsoil	-	3	84	13
Hay & Roughage	-	24	75	1
Feed grain	-	10	90	-

-Represents zero.

TOPSOIL MOISTURE for week ending 05/27/18



CROP and LIVESTOCK CONDITIONS for week ending 05/27/18

Crop/Livestock	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	%	%	%	%	%
Apples	-	1	23	68	8
Peaches	-	6	28	66	-
Hay	-	2	27	71	-
Winter Wheat	-	3	30	57	10
Pasture	-	15	27	52	6
Cattle & Calves	-	-	29	68	3
Sheep & Lambs	-	-	24	70	6

- Represents zero.

CROP PROGRESS for week ending 05/27/18

Crop Stage	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
	%	%	%	%
Corn planted	38	25	67	59
Corn emerged	17	9	46	35
Hay first cut	9	5	11	14
Soybeans planted	46	17	49	37
Soybeans emerged	6	3	19	14
Winter Wheat headed	50	30	83	59

- Represents data not available or zero.

Weather Summary- For the week ending May 27, 2018

This week, high pressure that briefly sat over the region aided in temperatures rising 10 degrees warmer for the latter part of the week compared to the first three days of the week. A few stations recorded temperatures in the 90s, with the average highs for the week being around the low 70s due to the chilly start to the week. Most low temperatures dropped to the 50s and 60s. Daily heating contributed to thunderstorm and shower activity throughout the course of the week, with most stations observing above normal precipitation amounts. Nearly every station had over half an inch. As with the nature of thunderstorm activity, Huntington experienced very little precipitation due to the movement of storms away from the area.

Temperatures: Keyser had the highest recorded temperature of 94 degrees. Terra Alta had the lowest recorded temperature of 46 degrees. The state average temperature was 70 degrees.

Precipitation: Wheeling had the highest recorded amount of precipitation with 2.08 inches. Huntington had the lowest recorded amount of precipitation with 0.08 of an inch. The state average precipitation was 0.84 of an inch.

Temperature and Precipitation Data for the Week Ending 05/27/18									
Temperature					Precipitation				
Station	High	Low	Average	Weekly Departure	Week's Total	Norm	Since April 1st 2018	Same Week Last Year	Season Normal
--NORTHWEST-----									
WHEELING	84	52	69		2.08		9.92	9.18	
PARKERSBURG	86	55	72	6	0.63	1.03	8.54	8.31	7.20
CRESTON	88	48	71		0.28		7.77	7.36	
--NORTHCENTRAL-----									
MORGANTOWN	85	51	70		1.92		11.20	11.46	
CLARKSBURG	86	51	71	7	0.44	1.09	9.53	9.84	7.56
BELINGTON	87	50	71		0.84		11.88	10.17	
WESTON	87	52	71		0.72		10.67	12.19	
--SOUTHWEST-----									
WILLIAMSON	88	58	74		1.20		8.73	15.62	
HUNTINGTON	86	55	73	7	0.08	1.09	6.32	7.33	7.72
CHARLESTON	89	53	73	7	0.70	1.11	7.37	11.14	7.58
RIPLEY	88	48	71		0.42		7.85	7.41	
--CENTRAL-----									
TERRA ALTA	81	46	65		1.49		13.68	13.33	
ELKINS	85	52	70	10	0.55	1.20	11.48	9.28	8.52
MARLINTON	84	50	68		0.90		10.79	12.66	
--SOUTHERN-----									
BECKLEY	80	51	67	5	0.40	1.08	8.00	11.37	7.62
PINEVILLE	84	56	72		0.53		9.33	15.31	
BLUEFIELD	83	53	68	4	0.78	1.02	9.17	13.44	7.25
WHITE SUL SP	84	53	69		0.41		9.50	10.84	
BLUESTONE DAM	83	55	70		0.60		9.99	12.43	
--NORTHEASTERN-----									
MARTINSBURG	90	53	72	9	1.39	0.93	11.10	12.53	7.14
KEYSER	94	49	72		1.77		12.89	10.75	
MOOREFIELD	87	51	71		0.28		10.07	8.58	
State Average Temperature	70								
State Average Precipitation	0.84								

Source:
Weather comments and data - Dept. of Commerce, National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration National Weather Service, Charleston, WV.

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